

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Masanori CHIKUBA, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3723**

Serial No.: **09/591,508**

Examiner: **Robert ROSE**

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For. **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GRINDING MAGNETIC MEMBER AND  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING WASTE FLUID**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 10, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004 for the second month, from November 27, 2004 to December 27, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$340.00 (calculated as \$450.00 minus \$110.00 for the first month which was already paid on November 16, 2004) to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

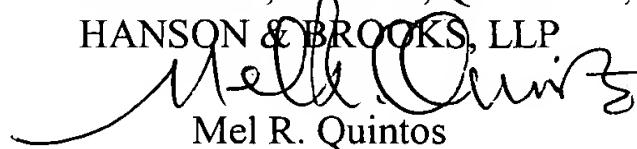
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